LUCY ROBBINS WELLES LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Paul Crosswaith, Anna Eddy, Pauline Kruk, Judy Igielski, Iris Larsson, LeeAnn Manke, Maureen O'Connor Lyons, Tony Palermino, Eric Rothauser (arrived at 6:42 PM), Neil Ryan, Diane Stamm, Trudie Walker

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Dennis Doyle, Alan Nafis

STAFF

Donna Miller, Library Director Lisa Masten, Assistant Library Director Gail Whitney, Secretary for the Board

TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON

David Nagel Kris Nasinnyk

BOARD OF EDUCATION LIAISON ABSENT

Sharon Braverman

FRIENDS

Christy McDonald

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Diane Stamm at 6:05 PM.

Diane and the Library Board thanked Pauline Kruk for dinner this evening.

I. ROLL CALL

II. <u>SECRETARY'S REPORT/COMMUNICATIONS/MINUTES</u>

Judy thanked everyone for their thoughts, prayers, cards, and donations.

MOTION: Anna Eddy made a motion to accept the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of June 13, 2011, Trudie Walker seconded the motion, and the motion to accept the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of June 13, 2011 was unanimously approved with a 12-0 vote.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Iris reported that she has itemized all the large expenses, such as \$9,700 for the shutters, the electrician's bill for the lighting, and the bike rack.

V. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Donna reported that since the Library Board last met in June she has emailed the monthly reports to the Board over the summer. She mentioned a recent newspaper article in the Hartford Courant; the Board had a copy in their packet. She also mentioned that Amazon announced it will be coming out with a tablet computer similar to the Apple IPad for about \$300.

The Library has been very busy over the summer averaging 935 people per day. Personnel has had some changes with someone out on medical leave, a part time circulation position being filled with a substitute, training for two circulation substitutes, one reference substitute, and four new pages hired.

The summer reading program had 652 adults (up 8% from last year), 154 teens, and 1,121 children.

A new phone system was installed on August 11th.

The Library felt the earthquake on August 23^{rd} , and there were some roof leaks and ceiling damage from the hurricane on August 27^{th} and 28^{th} .

In July Donna attended the Connecticut Library Association's Leadership Institute at the University of Hartford.

Donna met with Superintendent William Collins in May, and toured the high school's media center in June. On June 15th the Educators' e-Newsletter premiered with assistance from Shirlee-Ann Kober. This is a two page newsletter for teachers, school personnel, and students. Staff will attend the various schools' open houses to sign up people for library cards.

On September 19th Liberty Bank will be opening in Newington and will be awarded a \$2,000 grant to the Library; \$1,500 will go towards the Job Seekers Programs, and \$500 to the Family Place Children's Program.

The September/October Footnotes newsletter has been sent out featuring information on computer classes, job seekers programs, the Legacy Society, and a program on October 17th featuring author Glenn Stout who wrote "Fenway 1912."

In August Donna visited the Seattle, Washington Public Library which cost \$290.7 Million and is 11 stories high – she passed around an article about this library.

Donna thanked Eric, Lisa, and Lynn for all their help and guidance these last few months as she became acclimated with the Library and the Town.

VI. <u>ASSISTANT LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u>

Lisa reported that she was happy she was on vacation when the new phone system was installed. She also reported that three color Nooks have been purchased and began circulating today; these Nooks also have children's books downloaded on them. There are now three color Nooks, two regular Nooks, and two Sony e-readers available for circulation. The Library is also planning to replace the pay-for-print system we currently have, to include wireless printing as well.

VII. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Christy McDonald stated that she is now the Friends Vice-President. The Friends held their annual meeting on June 1st, and at their July meeting they voted on their budget of \$51,200. The next Friends meeting is scheduled for September 14th at 7:00 PM; the 50th Anniversary Committee meeting will be held at 6:00 PM. The Friends will participate in the Town's Annual WaterFall Festival on Saturday, September 24th. On October 15th the Friends will hold the finale for the 50th Anniversary by "hugging" Lucy – people will surround the Library building in celebration of the anniversary.

VIII. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

A. PEP (Planning, Evaluation, Policy)

Trudie stated she had no report.

B. Investment Committee

Neil reported that the Investment Committee met with Carol Pekrul during the summer and put \$40,000 from two accounts into a short term investment fund.

C. House Committee

Diane stated that a lot has been done in the last few months with many thanks to Lynn Caley, Bob Korpak, and Art Hanke. Without their assistance, along with the House Committee of LeeAnn, Neil, Judy, and Pauline doing research, many of the projects could not have been completed. She submitted the following report:

HVAC System

- In January the new HVAC unit was installed on the roof. The Facilities Dept, the HVAC contractor and Johnson Controls have been here on and off since in an attempt to get the controls regulated properly. We did have AC this summer which was an improvement over last year.
- The hot water heater in the entryway janitor's closet rusted out and was replaced by Gallicchio plumbing.

General Facility

- During heavy rain in the spring we had additional leaking in the Children's program room and hallway. Roofers were here several times and made repairs, and then the damage to the ceilings and walls in the Children's program room and hallway caused by the roof leaks were repaired. Contractors replaced the drywall and did the bulk of the painting. We are still waiting for the final touch-up painting to be completed and the crown molding to be installed.
- ➤ The Facilities Dept. did their own walk-through of the building and compiled a list of all outstanding projects.
- During this past winter with all the snow, staff noticed what appeared to be stress cracks in various locations throughout the building. The town had a structural engineer check our roof and he determined that is was structurally sound and was built to double the code requirement and was more than up to the task of bearing the snow load.
- The Director's office was painted in anticipation of Donna's start.

- The broken attic ladder was replaced. We are still waiting to have it painted.
- A cabinet was custom built and installed in the Community Room to hold our new large screen TV. This was paid for with our technology grant from the Harford Foundation for Public Giving.
- Many of the smaller jobs identified in the walk through of 12/11/10 were taken care of by library staff, the cleaning service, our Maintenance Tech or Facilities. Ex.
 - Touch-up painting
 - Ceiling tile replacement
 - Planters in Reference match
 - 2nd floor mechanical room cleaned and organized
 - cleaning ceiling vents

Grounds

- New spotlights were installed to highlight the Cedar St. side of the building.
- ➤ The garden beds on the Cedar St. side of the building were cleaned out and smaller plants were put it.
- ➤ The old spotlight and the weedy round garden bed in which it sat were removed and new grass was planted.
- ➤ The spotlight on the Cedar St. sign was repaired.
- ➤ The ivy was again removed from the building.
- The new wave style bike rack was installed.
- Due to the ongoing congestion in our parking lot, it was redesigned this spring. A few additional parking spots were added and the traffic flow became one way exiting into the Town Hall lot. The change has seemed to greatly improve flow and decrease the number of cars hovering. It is more pedestrian friendly also.

Cleaning

➤ We are still very pleased with the cleaning provided by CW Resources and the responsiveness of their staff to our requests.

Furniture & Fixtures

➤ The chair mats we installed last year at the Reference Desk and at the internet terminals have greatly decreased the wear and tear on the carpets. Since their installation, we have not had to replace a single carpet tile in those areas.

Pending projects

- ➤ Shutter replacement: The shutters are on order, delivery expected any day now, and the vendor Ring's End Lumber is working with Ultimate Construction to coordinate the installation when they arrive.
- ➤ The new fence for the sun dial area has been received by Wayside Fence. Our Parks and Grounds Department will be picking it up and doing the installation. We do not yet have a firm date for this.
- > Cedar Street sign. Estimate was delivered to the Facilities Department.
- > Stained carpet tiles to be replaced with new ones. (This is a project that is just getting started.)

Outstanding projects

- Outside Window trim needs painting
- ➤ Walls and ceiling in basement emergency exit need to be repaired.
- Area around archway leading into Quiet Study area needs painting.

D. Facility and Site

Maureen reported that Diane covered everything in her House Committee report. On a personal note, she thanked everyone for their thoughts, prayers, cards, and gifts, and said that she is very happy to be back.

E. Fund Development

LeeAnn reported that she met with Donna and Anna and reviewed what the Committee has put together over the years. The brochure and website need to be updated. She stated that Donna has been a tremendous help with promoting the Legacy Society in an article in Newington Life and in the Friends newsletter Footnotes. There will be two inductees into the Legacy Society at this evenings' Annual Meeting.

F. Budget

Alan was not in attendance.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Piano

Donna reported that Joel Rissinger from Mill Pond Church picked up the piano on July 16th and they were very happy to receive the piano. A new locked closet will be built in the area where the piano was and will house the laptop computers.

B. Nominating Committee – Election of Officers

Ballots are to be submitted to Gail Whitney to count.

C. Annual Meeting – Honoree Presentations

Eric will recognize the Newington Amateur Radio League. Neil will recognize Carol Miller-Pekrul. Trudie will recognize Kerry Lurate and her dog Jessie. Anna will recognize the Friends' 50th Anniversary Committee

D. Annual Meeting – Legacy Society Inductees

LeeAnn will recognize the inductees into the Legacy Society.

E. Catherine and Joseph Palermino Scholarship

Tony will present the Palermino Award.

X. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Holiday closings, Veterans' Day and (November 23 close 5:00 PM)

For the past couple of years the Library has been closed on Veterans' Day; this will take place on Friday, November 11th. Last year the Library closed at 5:00 PM on the Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving Day; this will take place on Wednesday, November 24.

B. Circulation desk area reconfiguration

Donna emailed the Board during the summer about the congestion issue in the circulation area. She has asked Janis Newell, a consultant she worked with at the Avon Library, to review the area and come up with some ideas. The Board agreed that this congestion issue needs to be addressed.

Donna also mentioned to the Board that there is a Trustee Leadership Conference through the Connecticut Library Association on Thursday, November 10th; if they would like more information on attending this conference to let her know.

XI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation.

XII. <u>ADJOURNME</u>NT

MOTION: Anna Eddy made a motion to adjourn, Maureen O'Connor Lyons seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the motion to adjourn was unanimously accepted with a 13-0 vote at 6:50 PM.

LUCY ROBBINS WELLES LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Paul Crosswaith, Anna Eddy, Judy Igielski, Pauline Kruk, Iris Larsson, LeeAnn Manke, Maureen O'Connor Lyons, Tony Palermino, Eric Rothauser, Neil Ryan, Diane Stamm, Trudie Walker

STAFF

Donna Miller, Library Director Lisa Masten, Assistant Library Director Gail Whitney, Secretary for the Board

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Eric Rothauser at 7:06 P.M.

III. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Eric Rothauser, President of the Library Board of Directors welcomed everyone to the Annual Board of Directors Meeting. He thanked everyone for coming and indicated to those in attendance that prior to the program, a few matters of business needed to be attended to. He stated that there have been many new and exciting things taking place at the Library over the last year, primarily welcoming new Library Director Donna Miller. He mentioned that there will be two new inductees into the Library's Legacy Society, along with honoring various individuals/groups, and there will also be an announcement of the third recipient of the Palermino Scholarship.

IV. <u>SECRETARY'S REPORT/COMMUNICATIONS/MINUTES</u>

MOTION: Diane Stamm made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the September 14, 2010 meeting, Maureen O'Connor Lyons seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the motion was passed unanimously.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT

Iris Larsson gave the following report: Each year we turn over our financial records to our accountant during the month of August. At this point the non-profit tax return is being prepared as well as the audit. We have adequate monies to meet our expenses, and while our investments are riding the ups and downs of the market, with the assistance of our financial advisors, we continue to monitor our accounts. Through the generous contributions of many people, we have been able to see our Legacy Society grow, as well as been able to purchase a new bike rack for the front of the building, new outside lighting, fencing, and mostly importantly new shutters for the entire building. We are most fortunate to be able to contribute to the maintenance of our library.

VI. <u>LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u>

Library Director Donna Miller thanked Lisa Masten, Eric Rothauser, the Library staff, and members of the Library Board for all of their assistance during her transition and making her feel so welcome as the new Library Director. She then gave the following report:

Staff at Lucy Robbins Welles Library continued to provide excellence in library services to the community during a transitional year, with the June 2010 retirement of Library Director Marian Amodeo. Assistant Director, Lisa Masten, was appointed Acting Director during the 9 months until Donna Miller began the position as Library Director on April 4, 2011. Lisa did an excellent job in managing the library with the assistance of Business Manager, Lynn Caley, and the administrative team of department heads and staff. There were also an unusual number of personnel changes for various reasons, including the Children's Department head leaving for another position. Dedicated volunteers put in 1,262 hours of service during the year to help us "fill in the gaps", and they were honored at the Annual Volunteer Breakfast.

It was a big year for the Friends of the Library as they celebrated their 50th Anniversary, which was kicked off at the September Waterfall Festival, and continued with a variety of special events into 2011: A Tellabration international celebration of story; the Friends' Fall & Spring Book Sales; a Wine & Cheese Social; a 50th Anniversary Memorial Day parade float; an Annual Meeting with guest author, Jan Mann, and a Golden Gala & Silent Auction with speaker, Steve Rushin. The Friends organization was formed in 1961 and has about 825 paying members and a core group of active members. The Friends' fundraising efforts provide funds annually to allow for purchase of museum passes (checked out 979 times), furniture, materials, programs for all ages, equipment and new technology, all of which greatly expand our programs and services.

Newington is a town of readers! During the year, 250,722 people visited the library and they checked out 408,791 items. 15,215 people in Newington have library cards, about one half of the population. Sunday hours were even more popular this year from November through May (25 Sundays) and brought in 8,341 people who checked out 16,967 items. Over 605 adults participated in the Adult Summer Reading program, a 13% increase from last year. 4,858 books were read throughout the summer, a 4% increase from the previous year. The Adult Winter Reading program had 308 participants and 1,922 books were read, a 22% increase over the previous year. Patrons love the finales with raffles, door prizes and the grand prizes.

Staff planned and implemented 126 adult programs to more than 4,052 people. The *Brown Bag it Lunch Movie Series* had a regular following, as did the *Little Movies with a Big Heart*, and Bob Larsson's *Summer Movies*. Highlights of another busy adult programming year included two Nature Walks, garden programs, *Hitler's Skull* with the State archaeologist, two music concerts, Cedar Mountain Commons and Thursday evening book discussions, and Hartford's Big Read book discussions. Friends' bus trips brought 162 people to Block Island and N.Y. City.

The Children's Summer Reading program "Make a Splash-READ!" kicked off in June in conjunction with the Parks & Recreation Department's Touch-A-Truck event. All summer 1,179 children participated by reading, earning prizes, and being entertained by such activities as the Bach 2 Rock Violins, Mystery Dinner Theater, Undersea Safari ocean songs, Sous La Mer ballet dancers, a splash party, Buddy Bakeoff, and a skating party. The Annual John and Adella Sliva Memorial Young People's Literary Series event welcomed author Karen Romano, who spoke to all 3rd and 4th graders in Newington. Pat Pierce spoke to all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade classes about Nutmeg books and was a judge for the Battle of the Books in all schools, geared towards getting kids excited about reading.

Over 238 children participated in a Winter Reading program titled *Love Your Library!* A wide selection of weekly programming and outreach services to the schools and daycare centers was carried out by Children's staff, including storytimes, the monthly *Construction Club*, *Cookbook Club*, a *Tea Party*, *Read*, *Rattle & Roll*, *Play for All* and the *Wonders of Science* program. Other programs

included a *Halloween mystery play*, Musician *Mary Jo Maichack*, the *Sam Pasco Orchestra*, *Mr. Gym*, *Hooked on Llamas*, a *Magic Show* and a *Balloon Twisting* workshop. In all 634 programs were offered to more than 21,267 children. Children's staff answered 22,637 reference questions, museum passes went out 979 times, and children's computers were used for 6,019 hours.

Due to the hard work by our Teen librarians in cultivating Newington's youth, more than 1,016 teens attended 48 programs offered throughout the year, a 48% increase over last year's attendance. Teen Summer Reading had 174 teens reading 1,334 books. Other popular programs included: the *Talent Show*, *Anime Club*, the Summer Reading Finale, the *Teen Volunteer Network*, *After Hours Gaming*, *Cupcake Decorating*, book discussions and craft programs. The Teen Librarians also did many book club talks for 7th and 8th graders at the Middle Schools and for 9th and 10th graders at the High School.

Over 200 people attended the Library Board sponsored "*Hot Cat Jazz Band*" concert on a Sunday in March as part of the George C. Hanel Fine Arts Series. The Newington 5K Challenge Road Race attracted 308 runners, a record high for the event, despite the rainy weather.

The economy remained in a slump and there was a continuing need for resources and programs for job seekers. Reference staff worked hard to make materials available in print and online and offered programs to assist in this area. The library's website offers several employment resource pages. Staff offered 17 programs on writing resumes and cover letters, interviewing, using LinkedIn, breaking into high tech areas, retooling for a job, and volunteer opportunities, with 517 people attending.

Thanks to a \$30,000 Technology grant from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, laptops with a charging station, a 55" flat screen TV and presentation technology were purchased for public computer classes in the Community Room. Some instructors were hired to teach classes, others were taught by staff, and teen volunteers helped out at the classes. A total of 52 computer classes were held with 459 students participating, on topics such as Picasa, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Mail Merge, Google, consumer information, company information, basic computers and basic e-mail. A new online database, *Universal Class*, was purchased so that Newington patrons can take online continuing education classes remotely from their computers at home.

The demand for ebooks rose dramatically after the holidays, and with the rising popularity of ereaders and downloadable books, the library has responded by purchasing more ebooks and several Nooks (funded by the Friends) for patrons to check out. Our consortium received a grant, making us the recipient of two Sony e-Readers, an MP3 player and a PC loaded with Overdrive software so patrons can check out audiobooks and download them to their devices in the library. Our plans are to expand the types of e-readers and tablets available for public use in the coming year, and continue to increase the downloadable collection.

The library continues to have a Facebook and Twitter presence, and the development of the website to serve as a virtual library continued. There were 116,422 visits to the library's website, a 14% increase over the previous year. Staff updated information and made the site more user friendly, with links added for the town map, library hours, directions, the *Ask a*? link, and a technology link. The library webpage is one of the most heavily used of the Town departments.

Induction of members into the Legacy Society was conducted by the library Board, as patrons who have made large donations and/or provisions for the Library in their estate plans were recognized. The Catherine and Joseph Palermino Scholarship was awarded to a library staff member who is pursuing an advanced degree in the field of Library and Information Science.

Because of the severe winter with record amounts of snow, there were stress cracks and roof leaks from heavy rain, snow and ice buildup. Water damaged ceilings and walls had to be repaired and repainted. The roof was inspected to make sure the weight of the snow did not damage it structurally. Roof drains and part of the roof were shoveled to install new HVAC A/C units in January. Despite roof repairs, we continued to have leaks, which caused other damage to ceilings, walls and flooring. Two water heaters developed leaks and were replaced, the attic stairs had to be replaced, and many other minor repairs were made to an aging building.

Parking lot design changes in front of the library were made to improve safety and traffic flow and the handicapped access ramp was repaired. Parks & Grounds created a walkway with gardens and a sundial by the main entrance. Buildings and grounds projects continued to maintain the library property.

The beginning of an expansion study for future library growth was put on hold during the past year, until a new Library Director was hired. The goal in the coming year is to continue the next phase in a plan for an addition by updating the library's long range strategic plan and formulating a technology plan for the future.

In closing, I would like to thank Lisa Masten for her professionalism as Acting Director and Business Manager Lynn Caley and the outstanding library staff for their excellent customer service to our patrons. I would also like to thank Eric Rothauser and Library Board members, as well as the Friends of the Library and Town of Newington staff, for their warm welcome and support in the last few months as I came on as the new Director. It has been an auspicious beginning, and I look forward to the coming year with enthusiasm and plans for moving the library forward.

Statistical summary	2010-2011	2009-2010	% change
Items circulated	408,791	420,597	-2.81%
New registrations	1,826	1,982	-7.87%
Total registrations	15,215	12,722	+19.6%
People count (visits)	250,722	254,326	-1.42%
Reference questions	67,248	69,766	-3.61%
Online database use	59,167*	109,588	-46%
Remote database use	282,594	217,780	+29.76%
Children's programs	634	595	+6.55%
Attendance	21,267	23,308	-8.76%
Children's outreach	158	222	-28.8%
Elementary school trips	49	51	-3.92%
Child. Summer Reading	1,179	1,261	-6.5%
Adult programs	126	104	+21.2%
Attendance	4,052	4,153	-2.43%
Adult summer reading	605	535	+13.1%
Teen programs	48	29	+65.5%
Attendance	1,016	687	+47.9%
Teen Summer Reading	174	142	+23%
Items added	15,615	16,260	-3.97%
Items deleted	7,822	7,708	+1.48%
Library holdings	161,473	156,569	+3.13%
Children's computer use	6,019	8,695	-30.78%
Adult/Teen computer use	31,622	32,216	-1.84%
Meeting Room use	752	702	+7.12%
Study Room use (hrs.)	2,538.5	2,493.5	+1.84%
Website visits	116,422	101,782	+14.38%
Volunteer hours	1,261.75	1,418	-11.02%

changed.

V. <u>NOMINATIONS</u>

A. Renewal of Three-Year Terms for Corporation Members

Eric asked Tony Palermino to report on nominations. Tony indicated that there are two three-year term renewals of the corporate members: Dennis Doyle and Maureen O'Connor Lyons. He asked if there were any more nominations from the floor. There were no more nominations, and he asked for a motion to accept the two three-year renewals of the corporate members. All were in favor and the motion to accept these two three-year renewals was unanimously accepted.

B. Nomination of New Officers

Tony presented the nominations for the officers as follows: President-Anna Eddy, Vice-President-Diane Stamm, Secretary-Judy Igielski, and Treasurer-Iris Larsson. He asked if there were any more nominations from the floor. There were no more nominations, and he asked for a motion to accept the officers as presented, all were in favor, and the motion to accept the officers as presented was unanimously accepted.

VI. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

There was no old business.

VII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Recognition of Honorees

Eric Rothauser recognized the Newington Amateur Radio League and presented them with a plaque for their assistance with the 5K Road Race.

Neil Ryan recognized Carol Miller-Pekrul who was presented with a Newington afghan.

Trudie Walker recognized Kerry Lurate and her reading dog, Jessie, who were presented with a Newington afghan and a box of dog treats.

Anna Eddy recognized members of the Friends' 50^{th} Anniversary Committee and presented President Natalie Harbeson with a plaque, and the following with a Library suncatcher: Philip DesJardins, Susan Wright, LeeAnn Manke, Darlene Fournier, Heather Fagan, Janice Reynolds, Carol Mon, Christy McDonald, Carol Jordan, Ann Marino, Anita Wilson, Mary and Brian Wood, Mary Jane Michaels, Marcia Montgomery, Sandy Nafis, Fred Berner, Dori Womer, Rich Piquette, Regina O'Connell, Sheri Mason, Kaye Burke, JoAnn Cromwell, Kathleen Holland, Maraidh Thomson, Belinda Santos, Michelle Tine, and Anna Sousa. Staff members Lisa Masten, Terri Planco, and Shirlee-Ann Kober were also honored for their help with the Friends' 50^{th} Anniversary Committee.

B. Recognition of Inductees into the Legacy Society

LeeAnn Manke recognized Florence Kuslis Wood as one of the 2011 Inductees into the Legacy Society. Florence's nieces were in attendance to accept the certificate.

LeeAnn Manke recognized Ruth Kellogg as the other 2011 Inductee into the Legacy Society. There are no surviving members of Ruth's family to receive the certificate.

C. Presentation of Catherine and Joseph Palermino Continuing Education Scholarship

Tony Palermino recognized Michelle Royer as the third recipient of the Catherine and Joseph Palermino Continuing Education Scholarship. Michelle is attending Southern Connecticut State University.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENT AND PRESENTATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Tony Palermino announced that all votes have been cast and the slate of officers as presented earlier was unanimously accepted.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Eric Rothauser thanked everyone again, and congratulated the honorees. He stated he has been honored to serve as president for the last two years and knows that the Library Board will be served well under Anna Eddy. Anna stated that she is delighted to be the new president and thanked Eric for all he did as president and was happy that he will continue on the Library Board. Donna thanked Eric for making her feel so welcome. Anna thanked everyone for attending this evening, congratulated the honorees, and told everyone to enjoy the refreshments. MOTION: Iris Larsson made a motion to adjourn, Maureen O'Connor Lyons seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the motion to adjourn was unanimously accepted at 8:05 P.M.